**SGRY in Bihar and Maharashtra**

1190. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana has been launched;

(b) what are the salient features of this Yojana; and

(c) the names of the villages which are covered under this scheme in Bihar and Maharashtra, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) The Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) was launched with effect from 25.9.2001 in all States and UTs except Delhi and Chandigarh. The SGRY programme is to be subsumed into National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA) in a phased manner. In 2007-08, SGRY covers 257 districts of the country.

(b) The SGRY programme is an allocation based scheme for wage employment in rural areas, provision of self employment to BPL SC/ST/ Minorities and provision for relief to calamity affected areas by way of release of additional foodgrains/allocation. The scheme is open to all rural poor who are in need of wage employment and desire to do manual and unskilled work in and around his village/habitat. The wages are paid in cash and kind to SGRY workers. This programme is implemented on cost-sharing basis between the Centre and States in the ratio of 75:25. In case of UTs, entire funds are provided by the Centre. Foodgrains are provided to the States/UTs free-of-cost. The programme is implemented through Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs). Special safeguards have been provided for the weaker sections and women of the community.

(c) The names of villages covered under the programme are not maintained at the Centre. In 2007-08, SGRY programme in all the districts of Bihar have been subsumed into NREGA. The names of 15 districts covered under SGRY in Maharashtra in 2007-08 are as under:-

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| 1 Beed | 6 Nagpur | 11 Ratnagiri |
| 2 Jalgaon | 7 Nasik | 12 Sangli |
| 3 Jalna | 8 Parbani | 13 Satara |
| 4 Kolhapur | 9 Pune | 14 Sindhudurg |
| 5 Latur | 10 Raigad | 15 Solapur |

**Creation of land bank**

1191. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are creating a Land Bank to buy and acquire land and generally keep it ready for use by industry;

(b) if so, the details of this dedicated Land Bank for industry;